

A. S. Office,

25 Nov. 25, 1854

Dear Garrison:

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I hoped to be able to settle the question, whether it ^{will} ~~would~~ be necessary for you to lecture for us next Tuesday evening, before the departure of this evening's mail. But it is still in doubt.

Beecher declines, for reasons which we must acknowledge satisfactory; but he is trying to induce Storrs to fill the gap, & thinks he shall succeed. We cannot know the result, however, till this evening. If he (Storrs) declines, I shall

Send you a dispatch at the earliest possible moment; to-night, if I can; if not to-night, then to-morrow, if the office is open; and if it is closed, then early on Monday.

If you have to come, try to do so as early as you can, ~~that~~ lest an accident on the railroad should prevent your arrival.

But the mail waits.

Yours, always,

J. Johnson